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FYI There's a call today at 5:30. Don't know if you received this?

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"Rock the Vote" Event Saturday w Nick Melvoin & Ana Ponce

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Hi everyone,

I am writing to provide you with time-sensitive updates and reminders regarding:

- Today's 5:30pm member call on LAUSD's potential parcel tax effort and charter inclusion, which we are hearing could come up for a vote as soon as this Thursday (email <u>Jason</u> <u>Rudolph</u> to RSVP);
- The LA Charter Community's Rock the Vote Event this Saturday with Nick Melvoin and Ana Ponce (click here to RSVP);
- And an introduction to our newest team member, Luis Figueroa who will be supporting member schools in BD 4.

RSVP for Today's Member Call at 5:30pm re LA Charter Parcel Tax Inclusion

If you haven't already, please RSVP to join today's member call at 5:30pm, which will include important updates on parcel tax advocacy. Email Jason Rudolph (<u>jruldolph@ccsa.org</u>) to RSVP and receive the dial-in number.

Thanks to our collective advocacy, the LA charter community, including charters within LAUSD boundaries authorized by LACOE and the SBE, are *currently* included in the *draft* parcel tax resolution, ballot language, and short ballot language that is being presented during the Committee of the Whole meeting today. If a parcel tax passes with proportional inclusion of

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charters, which we are still fighting for, your schools could benefit from as much as \$500 to \$1000 additional dollars per pupil annually.

We thank LAAC members Carrie Wagner (GALS), Johnathan Williams (The Accelerated Schools), John Vargas (ISANA), and Dustin Katch (Aspire) for representing the LA charter community at today's board meeting.

We are listening carefully during the presentation today for board member pushback again charter inclusion. We heard yesterday that the vote on the parcel tax may be moved to this Thursday, February 28 and will update you immediately if this is confirmed. We must continue to monitor whether board members have an appetite to amend language including charter schools in this resolution, but including charters in the initial draft is a major first step. We may need to mobilize quickly, and will alert you if we run into any issues over the coming hours and days.

RSVP and Recruit Your School Community: Saturday, March 2 "Get Out the Vote Event" with Nick Melvoin and Ana Ponce

As a culmination of the non-partisan civic engagement campaign our parent organizing team has been leading in Board District 5 since the new year, we invite you and your school community to join us this Saturday, March 2 at Alta Public Schools in Huntington Park for a "Charter Community Unites to Rock the Vote" event. We will be joined by **L.A. Unified Board Member Nick Melvoin and Ana Ponce from Great Public Schools Now**. This is a great opportunity to connect with Ana in her new role at GPSN, and also to thank Nick for all his work fighting for every child. We would love for every LAAC member to recruit 5 people from your school to join us, and of course, we hope you can attend. *Please note: a flyer, social media, and email language will be coming for you to circulate to your school by 1pm today.* **Since this is a non-partisan event, you can email all of this information directly to your families.**

What: Charter Community Unites to Rock the Vote with Nick Melvoin and Ana Ponce Where: Prepa Tech Middle School, Huntington Park (RSVP for address and parking info)

When: Saturday, March 2 from 10am-11am or 1:30pm-4:30pm

Why: Talk to Southeast City community members about why voting on Tuesday matters!

Who: LA charter leaders, community partners, friends, charter families, and staff

RSVP: https://goo.gl/iUMVmF

Welcome Luis Figueroa to the LA Regional Advocacy Team

I am writing to introduce you all to Luis Figueroa, the newest member of our Los Angeles Regional Advocacy Team. Luis comes to us from Teach for America Los Angeles, and the San Francisco Mayor's office. Among other responsibilities, he will be support our schools in Board District 4, and managing next year's charter renewal process alongside Keith Dell'Aquila. Please help me welcome Luis, who will be reaching out to our members in Board District 4 to introduce himself over the next few weeks.

Thanks and we look forward to connecting with you later today.

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Registration for the 26th Annual California Charter Schools Conference is open! Register today and save! The conference will be held March 11-14, 2019 at the Sacramento Convention Center. We look forward to seeing you there!

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